

1394

Year **1394** (**MCCCXCIV**) was a common year starting on Thursday (link will display full calendar) of the Julian calendar.

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Events

January–December

- February 28 – Richard II of England grants Geoffrey Chaucer 20 pounds a year for life, for his services as a diplomat and Clerk of The King's Works.^[1]
- June 11 – The Venetians take over possession of Argos, from Despot Theodore I Palaiologos.^[2]
- September 17 – King Charles VI of France orders the expulsion of all Jews from France.^[3]
- September 28 – Antipope Benedict XIII is elected to succeed Antipope Clement VII.^[4]
- October 10 – Battle of Karanovasa: Wallachia (now southern Romania) resists an invasion by the Ottomans, and their Serb and Bulgarian vassals.^[5]
- November 29 – The capital city of the Joseon Dynasty (in present-day Korea) is moved from Gaegyeong (now Gaeseong) to Hanseong (now Seoul).

Date unknown

- The Ottomans conquer Thessaly (now eastern Greece) and begin an eight-year siege of Constantinople, in the Byzantine Empire. In the same year, they begin building the Anadoluhisari fortress to defend themselves during the siege.^[6]

Millennium:	2nd millennium
Centuries:	13th century · 14th century · 15th century
Decades:	1370s · 1380s · 1390s · 1400s · 1410s
Years:	1391 · 1392 · 1393 · 1394 · 1395 · 1396 · 1397

1394 in various calendars

Gregorian calendar	1394 <i>MCCCXCIV</i>
Ab urbe condita	2147
Armenian calendar	843 ԹՎ ՊԽԳ
Assyrian calendar	6144
Balinese saka calendar	1315–1316
Bengali calendar	801
Berber calendar	2344
English Regnal year	17 Ric. 2 – 18 Ric. 2
Buddhist calendar	1938
Burmese calendar	756
Byzantine calendar	6902–6903
Chinese calendar	癸酉年 (Water Rooster) 4090 or 4030 — <i>to</i> — 甲戌年 (Wood Dog) 4091 or 4031
Coptic calendar	1110–1111

- Ashikaga Yoshimitsu retires as *shōgun* of Japan, and is succeeded by his son, Ashikaga Yoshimochi.
- Gyeongbokgung Palace and the Jongmyo royal ancestral shrine are built in Hanseong (now Seoul).
- After the death of Sultan Mahmud II, civil war breaks out in the Delhi Sultanate, splitting the state between east and west.
- Battle of Ros-Mhic-Thriúin: The Kingdom of Leinster, led by King Art mac Art MacMurrough-Kavanagh, defeats an invading army from England, led by King Richard II of England and Roger Mortimer, 4th Earl of March.
- Ștefan I succeeds Roman I, as Prince of Moldavia (now Moldova and eastern Romania).
- Abu Zayyan II succeeds his brother, Abul Hadjdjadj I, as ruler of the Abdalwadid Dynasty in present-day eastern Algeria.^[7]
- Abd al-Aziz II succeeds Abu al-Abbas Ahmad II, as ruler of the Hafsid Dynasty in present-day Tunisia.^[8]
- The Allgäuer Brauhaus brewery is founded in present-day Germany.^[9]
- The Hongwu Emperor of the Ming dynasty in China orders the Ministry of Public Works to issue a public notice, that every 100 households in the *lijia* system are to set aside 2 *mu* (1,390 m²) of land, for planting mulberry and jube trees.

Births

- March 4 – Prince Henry the Navigator, Portuguese patron of exploration (d. 1460)^[10]
- June 4 – Philippa of England, Queen of Denmark, Norway and Sweden (d. 1430)^[11]
- July 12 – Ashikaga Yoshinori, Japanese *shōgun* (d. 1441)
- July 25 – James I of Scotland (d. 1437)^[12]
- November 24 – Charles, Duke of Orléans, French poet (d. 1465)^[13]
- *date unknown*
 - Ulugh Beg, Timurid ruler and astronomer (d. 1449)
 - Ikkyū, Japanese Zen Buddhist priest and poet (d. 1481)
 - Michael de la Pole, 3rd Earl of Suffolk (d. 1415)^[14]
- *probable* – Cymburgis of Masovia, Duchess of Austria

Deaths

- June 25 – Dorothea of Montau, German *hermitess* (b. 1347)^[15]
- March 17 – Louis, Count of Enguien, Count of Conversano and Brienne
- March 24 – Constance of Castile, claimant to the throne of Castile

Discordian calendar	2560
Ethiopian calendar	1386–1387
Hebrew calendar	5154–5155
Hindu calendars	
- <i>Vikram Samvat</i>	1450–1451
- <i>Shaka Samvat</i>	1315–1316
- <i>Kali Yuga</i>	4494–4495
Holocene calendar	11394
Igbo calendar	394–395
Iranian calendar	772–773
Islamic calendar	796–797
Japanese calendar	Meitoku 5 / Ōei 1 (応永元年)
Javanese calendar	1308–1309
Julian calendar	1394 <i>MCCCXCIV</i>
Korean calendar	3727
Minguo calendar	518 before ROC 民前518年
Nanakshahi calendar	−74
Thai solar calendar	1936–1937
Tibetan calendar	阴水鸡年 (female Water-Rooster) 1520 or 1139 or 367 — <i>to</i> — 阳木狗年 (male Wood-Dog) 1521 or 1140 or 368

- June 4 – Mary de Bohun, English countess, married to Henry IV of England^[16]
- June 7 – Anne of Bohemia, queen of Richard II of England (plague) (b. 1366)^[17]
- August 27 – Emperor Chōkei of Japan (b. 1343)
- September 16 – Antipope Clement VII (b. 1342)^[18]
- December 28 – Maria Angelina Doukaina Palaiologina, basilissa of Epirus (b. 1350)
- *date unknown*
 - John Hawkwood, English mercenary (b. 1320)
 - Fazlallah Astarabadi, Persian founder of the mystical Hurufism sect (executed)
 - Sultan Mahmud II of the Delhi Sultanate
 - Former King Gongyang of Goryeo (b. 1345)



Consecration of Benedict XIII.

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